



Ward Notification

Tucson Fire Department

Fire Chief Patrick Kelly



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Date: May 11, 2009

Ward 1 – House Fire – 2200 Block of South Hiram Banks Court

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Dispatch Time – 1216
On-Scene Time – 1219
Under Control – 1230

Neighbors called 9-1-1 reporting a fire in the carport. There was also a report of the possibility of an elderly woman and some small children in the home. Firefighters arrived to find smoke and flames in the carport, two vehicles burning, and smoke and flames coming from the front windows. A rapid search for possible victims was done and nobody was found inside. The fire was extinguished in 11 minutes by 21 firefighters and 7 units. No injuries occurred.

A mother was home with two toddlers when the fire started. The smoke detector sounded and alerted her as she was preparing to leave to pick one of her children up from school. She called 9-1-1, went to the school to pick up her eleven-year-old son, and returned to her home. Two vehicles and the entire home were destroyed.

Damage Estimate - \$150,000

Origin – Carport

Red Cross is assisting this family of six with food, clothing and shelter.

Cause – Under investigation

Safety Message: As the summer approaches and the temperatures rise, look around your home. Take steps to prevent accidental fires from materials being stored in and around the home. Store materials in a well-ventilated area, and out of direct heat and sunlight.